

SENATE No. 1177

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marc R. Pacheco

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to re-entry into active public service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Marc R. Pacheco

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Plymouth and Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01629 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO RE-ENTRY INTO ACTIVE PUBLIC SERVICE .

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 **SECTION 1.** Subsection (1) of section twenty-two of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subparagraph(b) the
3 following new subparagraph:-

4 Notwithstanding any general or specific law to the contrary, a member of the state teachers'
5 retirement system or the state Boston retirement system who was laid off or who will be laid off by a
6 governmental unit because of budget cuts between January 1, 1980 and December 31, 2004, January 1,
7 1990 and December 31, 2004, or January 1, 2003 and December 31, 2005, and through no fault of their
8 own, and was later re-employed in public service as a teacher within three years of being laid off, may
9 have up to three years of such layoff time credited as creditable service provided that any buyback
10 payments or previously withdrawn contributions, including regular interest thereon, are paid upon such
11 terms and conditions as the board may prescribe and, provided further, that such member shall be deemed
12 to have entered into service for purposes of this section as of the date of his entry into service preceding
13 layoff.

14 SECTION 2. Section one of this act shall apply to any member in service as of the effective date of this
15 act, provided, however, that any reduction in an employee's retirement contribution required by this act
16 shall commence on the effective date of this act and no refund shall be made for contributions made prior
17 to the effective date of this act."